

Missouri Weekly Influenza Report 2004-2005 Season¹

Missouri is reporting "sporadic influenza activity" to the CDC for Week 15².

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TABLE 1. Reported Laboratory-Confirmed Cases by Sub-type For the Week Ending April 16, 2005 (Week 15)						
Serogroups	A (non-typed)	A A A A (non-typed) (H3N2) (H1N1) B		A or B Untyped (rapid test)	Total	
Week 15	6	0	0	12	9	27
Season-to-Date*	6,472	87	0	847	3,238	10,644

^{*}The influenza season begins Week 40 (week ending October 9, 2004) and ends Week 20 (week ending May 21, 2005).

TABLE 2. Clusters/Outbreaks of Influenza-like Illness For the Week Ending April 16, 2005 (Week 15)								
Health Region	Central	Eastern	NW	SE	sw	Current Week Total	Season -to- Date 04-05	Season -to - Date 03-04
School Closings	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	16
Community Outbreaks	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Long Term Care or Institutional Outbreaks	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	12
Other Outbreaks	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0
Season-to-Date by Region	10	4	1	9	3			

TABLE 3. Deaths Involving Pneumonia and/or Influenza (P&I) Reported During the Week Ending April 9, 2005 (Week 14)							
Week 14	Season-to-Date	Week 14 Last Season	5 Year Weekly Median				
124	2,481	64	110				

Beginning in week 35 of 2003, the number of P & I deaths includes both contributing and underlying cause of death. Prior to that time only deaths for which pneumonia and/or influenza was listed on the death certificate as the underlying cause were counted as P & I deaths. The five-year median has been recomputed using the new method for reporting P & I deaths.

TABLE 4. U.S. Influenza Sentinel Provider Surveillance Network (US ISPSN) Influenza-like Illness (ILI) for the Week Ending April 9, 2005 (Week 14)							
Age 0-4	Age 5-24	Age 25-64	Age 65+	Total ILI Patients Seen	Total Patients Seen	Percent ILI	
2	18	3	0	23	3,043	0.75%*	

^{*}This is below the national baseline of 2.5%.

TABLE 5. Respiratory Specimens Submitted to SPHL for Viral Testing For the Week Ending April 16, 2005 (Week 15)								
	Positive Specimens							
	Influenza	Para- influenza	Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)	Adeno- virus	Rhino- virus	Entero- virus	Total Number Specimens Submitted	
Week 15	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	
Season-to-Date	113	0	1	10	2	1	238	

Antigenic Characterization of Missouri Influenza Isolates submitted to CDC by the State Public Health Laboratory

CDC antigenically characterizes a sample of positive Missouri influenza isolates, submitted through the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS), State Public Health Laboratory (SPHL). DHSS has submitted thirty-four influenza isolates this season to CDC for antigenic characterization.

Results Received from CDC:

CDC has antigenically characterized 13 of those isolates so far this season. Six were Influenza A/Korea/770/2002-like (H3N2) viruses. The Influenza A/Korea/770/2002-like (H3N2) virus is similar to the A/Fujian/411/2002 reference virus recommended as the H3 component of the 2004-05 vaccine.

Five were Influenza A/California/07/2004-like (H3N2). The Influenza A/California/07/2004-like (H3N2) evolved from the Influenza A/Fujian/411/2002-like virus recently in circulation. The Influenza A/California/07/2004-like (H3N2) strain was recommended as the H3 component for the 2005-06 Northern Hemisphere vaccine.

One was A/Wyoming/03/2004 (H3N2). This virus is similar to the A/Fujian/411/2002-like virus which was the recommended H3 component for the for the 2004-05 Northern Hemisphere influenza vaccine.

One was B/Shanghai/361/2002 which is related to the B/Yamagata lineage and was the recommended influenza B component for the 2004-05 influenza vaccine.

Data Sources: Laboratory-confirmed cases are reported to DHSS through the passive communicable disease surveillance system. Suspected influenza clusters and outbreaks are reported through the active surveillance system. Pneumonia and influenza deaths are reported through the DHSS Bureau of Vital Records. Influenza-like illness data by age category and total number of patient visits by week are reported voluntarily by participants in the U.S. Influenza Sentinel Physicians Surveillance Network.

Find Us on the Web

This report may also be found on the DHSS Internet at: http://www.dhss.mo.gov/Influenza/index.html.

National influenza surveillance information is available from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention at: www.cdc.gov/ncidod/diseases/flu/weekly.htm.

¹All data in this report are provisional and may change as reports are updated.

²Influenza activity codes are reported to CDC each Monday.







